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- 1. MINISTER OF ARMED FORCES AMADOU CLEDOR SALL INFORMED AMBASSADOR APRIL 14 THAT SENEGALESE GOVERNMENT WAS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO CONDITIONS OF OUR REPSONSE TO THEIR REQUEST FOR ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT. THEY HAD STUDIED PROPOSITION CAREFULLY AND SAW NO PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN COMPLYING WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. HOWEVER, GOS AWAITED REVIEW BY MINISTERS OF FINANCE AND PLAN BEFORE GIVING DEFINITIVE ANSWER. REVIEW WOULD DETERMINE WHETHER SENEGALESE BUDGET AND ITS OTHER COMMITMENTS WOULD ENABLE THEM TO MEET SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS REQUIRED IN TERMS OF PROJECT.
- 2. SALL SAID HE WISHED TO REGISTER WITH US SENEGAL'S DEFINITE INTEREST IN PROJECT, BUT HE DESCRIBED REASONS AND COMMITMENTS WHICH MADE SENEGALESE WISH THAT OUR OFFER HAD BEEN ABLE TO CONTAIN GRANT ELEMENT.

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3. AMBASSADOR POINTED OUT THAT PROJECT HAD BEEN CAREFULLY REVIEWED AH HIGH LEVELS OF US GOVERNMENT, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION OUR FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH GOS AND THAT OFFER PRESENTED ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS WHICH REFLECTED OUR GOOD RELATIONS. AMBASSADOR SAID HE WOULD INFORM USG OF SENEGALESE AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE OF PROJECT WITH CAVEATS THEY SPECIFIED.

4. MINISTER SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HOPED THAT WE
WOULD BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR TRAINING OF SENEGALESE WHO
WOULD HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE
OF EQUIPMENT PURCHSED, AS WELL AS FOR ACQUISITION OF
NECESSARY SPARE PARTS. AMBASSADOR SAID HE WOULD CONVEY
THIS REQUEST TO USG.
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